

§§ 42.716–42.719 [Reserved]

DUTIES OF RECIPIENTS

§ 42.720 General responsibility.

Regarding any program subject to this subpart, the recipient has primary responsibility to ensure compliance with the Act and this subpart. The recipient also has responsibility to maintain records, provide information, and to afford access to its records to the Department to the extent required to determine whether it is in compliance with the Act.

§ 42.721 Notice to subrecipients.

Any recipient that receives federal financial assistance from the Department and extends such assistance to subrecipients shall give its subrecipients written notice of their obligations under this subpart.

§ 42.722 Recipient assessment of age distinctions.

(a) As part of a compliance review under § 42.730 or complaint investigation under § 42.731, the Department may require a recipient employing the equivalent of 15 or more employees to complete a written self-evaluation, in a manner specified by the responsible Department official, of any age distinction imposed in its program or activity receiving federal financial assistance from the Department to assess the recipient's compliance with the Act.

(b) Whenever a recipient assessment indicates a violation of the Act and this subpart, the recipient shall take corrective action.

§ 42.723 Compliance information.

(a) Upon request by the Department, a recipient shall make available to the Department information necessary to determine whether the recipient is complying with this subpart.

(b) Each recipient shall permit reasonable access by the Department to the recipient's facilities, books, records and other sources of information concerning the recipient's compliance with this subpart.

§ 42.724 Remedial and affirmative action.

(a) If the Department finds that, in violation of this subpart, a recipient has discriminated on the basis of age, the recipient shall take remedial action that the Department considers necessary to overcome the effects of the discrimination.

(b) Even in the absence of a finding of discrimination, a recipient, in administering a program, may take steps to overcome the effects of conditions that resulted in limited participation on the basis of age.

§ 42.725 Assurance of compliance.

Each recipient of federal financial assistance from the Department shall sign a written assurance as specified by the Department that it will comply with this subpart in its federally assisted programs and activities.

§§ 42.726–42.729 [Reserved]

COMPLIANCE PROCEDURES

§ 42.730 Compliance reviews.

The Department may conduct a pre-award or post-award compliance review of an applicant or a recipient to determine compliance with this subpart. When a compliance review indicates probably noncompliance, the Department shall inform the applicant or recipient and shall promptly begin enforcement as described in § 42.733.

§ 42.731 Complaints.

(a) *General.* This section provides for the filing, by aggrieved persons, of complaints alleging violation of this subpart. Although the complaint process is limited to aggrieved persons, any person who has information regarding a possible violation of this subpart may provide it to the Department.

(b) *Receipt of complaints.* (1) Any aggrieved person, individually or as a member of a class, may file with the Department a written complaint alleging a violation of this subpart. A complaint may be filed by a representative of an aggrieved person. A complaint must be filed within 180 days of the date the complaint first knew of the alleged violation. However, this time